(*iv*) Latin Christians;
(*v*) Tamil Latin Catholic Christians;
(*vi*) Jacobite (Orthodox) Syrians;
(*vii*) Marthomites;
(*viii*) Chaldean Syrians;
(*ix*) Anglicans;
(*x*) Christians other than those referred to above;
(*xi*) Tamil Brahmins;
(*xii*) Nambudiri Brahmins;
(*xiii*) Muslims;
(*xiv*) Pulayas;
(*xv*) Kanakkas;
(*xvi*) Parayas;
(*xvii*) Other Depressed Classes?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* A statement is appended. *(Appendix I).*

JUVENILE PRISONERS IN CENTRAL JAIL

117. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there are juvenile prisoners in the Central Jail, Viyyur;

(*b*) if so, the number of such prisoners who are (*i*) below the age of 12; (*ii*) below the age of 16 but above 12;

(*c*) whether they have male guardians?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (*i*) None.
(*ii*) 14.

(*c*) Out of these, 10 have male guardians.

RECEIPT STAMPS USED IN WILLINGDON ISLAND

118. മിസ്റ്റർ ബി. എം. പീറർ: താഴെപറയുന്ന ചോദ്യത്തിന് ബഹു മാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിൽനിന്നും സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

വില്ലിംഗ്ടൺ ഐലണ്ടിൽ ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്ന രസീതുസ്റ്റാമ്പുകൾ കൊച്ചി ഗവമ്മെണ്ടുവകയാണോ അതോ ബ്രിട്ടീഷ് ഗവമ്മെണ്ടുവകയോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അച്യുതമേനോൻ: കൊച്ചി ഗവമ്മെണ്ടുവകയാണ്.

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Mr. B. M. Peter *(Latin Christians-Mattancheri):* May I know, Sir, when they began to use Cochin receipt stamps in the Willingdon Island?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* When they began stamping. Your question assumes that there was a time when the practice was otherwise.

Mr. B. M. Peter *(Latin Christians-Mattancheri):* They are still demanding to affix the British stamps.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* That is not our information.

MUNICIPALITIES—HOUSE TAX REMISSION ON ACCOUNT OF POVERTY—SANCTION OF GOVERNMENT

119. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of (1) prosecutions, (2) civil cases filed by the Mattancheri Municipality against house-owners within the Municipality who were exempted from house-tax in previous years on account of poverty, subsequent to the ruling by Government that the Municipality could not so exempt;

(*b*) would Government be pleased themselves to amend the Act to restore such power of exemption to the Municipalities;

(*c*) will Government be pleased to state the number of cases submitted to Government by Municipalities to grant exemptions from payment of house-tax since the above-said ruling?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) There was no prosecution or civil suit instituted by the Mattancheri Municipality against house-owners exempted from house-tax on account of poverty. There was also no such ruling by Government as stated in the question.

(*b*) Municipalities did not at any time possess the power of exemption. Under section 109 of the Municipal Act, the Municipal Council may, with the sanction of Government, grant the exemption.

(*c*) There were 5 cases of exemption from Mattancheri and one from Trichur, after a ruling given by Government that Municipal Councils cannot write off house-tax on the ground of poverty of the assessee.

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